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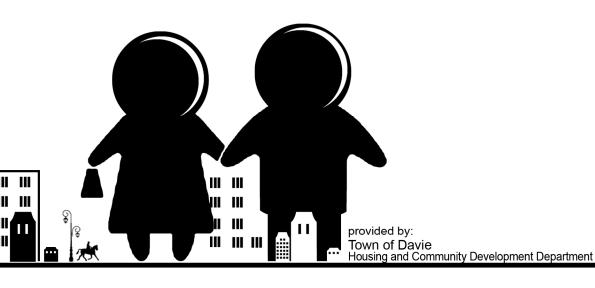
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Housing Assistance

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Home Touch

Home Touch provides carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and other minor repairs necessary to preserve health and safety in the owner-occupied home. Financial and material donations are accepted.

All program inquiries should be made through this office:

Home Touch Office:

Broward County Minority Builders Coalition, Inc. 665 Southwest 27th Avenue, Suite12

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312 Phone: (954) 792-1180

Weatherization Assistance Program

This federal program of the U.S. Department of Energy is designed to promote energy conservation in low-income households. The program provides free home energy repairs and services that can lower energy bills for participants. Services include insulation of doors, windows, floors, walls, ducts, and water heaters as well as modification to furnaces and other heating devices.

Weatherization Office:

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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312 Phone: (954) 792-1121

Web address:

http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

This federal program provides eligible households an annual grant to help meet home heating and cooling costs. The grants are issued either directly to households or to the energy vendor. Grants can be used for attic insulation, floors, exposed water pipes, and the tune up, repair, or replacement of heating units or air conditioners in the participant's home.

LIHEAP Office:

Broward County Board of County
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900 Northwest 31st Avenue Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33311

Phone: (954) 327-8797

Web address:

http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/liheap/

Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly Program (EHEAP)

EHEAP is a program which provides assistance for home-energy emergencies to qualified, low-income households with at least one person 60 years of age or older. Referrals for the Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly Program are channeled by the Aging and Disability Information & Referral Service to appropriate local administering agencies. Applicant households must have a member, who is at least 60 years of age, must meet financial eligibility guidelines, and have an imminent energy crisis.

Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County

County

5300 Hiatus Road Sunrise, FL 33351 Phone: (954) 745-9779

http://www.advalage.com

http://www.adrcbroward.org/eheap.php

SNAPforSeniors® - Search for Senior Housing in the U.S.

SNAPforSeniors® empowers users by providing the tools and information necessary to make informed decisions about senior housing by offering a free comprehensive database of all licensed senior housing in the U.S., and a growing number of independent living communities.

Please note that the SNAPforSeniors database does not currently include HUD or subsidized housing. SNAPforSeniors is not a placement or referral agency and does not charge for listings, leads and referrals.

SNAPforSeniors® (continued)

Web Address: www.snapforseniors.com E-mail: info@snapforseniors.com

Fax: (954) 327-8794

HUD Public Housing Program

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers federal aid to local Housing Agencies (HAs). These housing agencies provide decent and safe rental housing that is affordable for low income families, the elderly, and the disabled. Participants pay no more than 30% of their adjusted gross income. There may be an extensive wait list for this program.

Housing Assistance Program - Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8)

This federal program was created to help low income people secure decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private rental market. Section 8 pays a portion of the monthly rent by providing direct payment to the property owner to make up the difference between the full lease rent and no more than 30% of the tenants adjusted gross income. In determining the amount of the subsidy, Section 8 takes into account the tenants' county of residence as well as the households' income and family size. A tenant may be eligible for Section 8 in their present apartment, provided the landlord agrees to participate in the program. There is an extensive wait list for this program.

Broward County Housing Authority 4780 N. State Road 7 Lauderdale Lakes, FL 33319 Phone: (954) 739-1114 Web address: www.bchafl.org/

Hollywood Housing Authority 7300 North Davie Road Extension Hollywood, FL 33024 Phone: (954) 989-4691 Fax: (954) 961-8010

Web address: www.hhafl.com

Nutrition Assistance

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Broward Meals on Wheels

Broward Meals on Wheels administers the Title III-C nutrition programs throughout Broward County. Clients receive well-balanced meals Monday-Friday at strategically-located congregate meal sites. Kosher meals are provided at some locations. Nutrition education, counseling, supplements, pureed meals, and in home assessments also offered. Homedelivered kosher and regular meals are brought to needy home-bound elderly. Contributions are accepted.

3810 Inverrary Blvd. Suite 305 Lauderhill, FL 33319 Phone: (954) 731-8770

David Posnack Jewish Community Center

David Posnack Jewish Community Center administers a countywide Kosher Meal Program through Broward Meals on Wheels. In addition, the Center provides a well-balanced kosher meal, nutrition education, and other programs. Contributions are accepted.

5850 S. Pine Island Road Davie, FL 33328 Phone: (954) 434-0499 www.dpjcc.org

SUNCAP (Food Stamp Program)

The SUNCAP Program is a special Food Stamp Program for individuals who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI). This program helps low-income individuals and families buy the food they need for good health. Participants receive a special debit card that can be used like an ATM card at most grocery stores, certain senior centers, and non-profit meal delivery services (such as Meals on Wheels). The amount participants receive depends on income, family size, and place of residence.

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Department of Children and Families Central Service Center 311 North State Road 7 Plantation, FL 33317 Toll-Free: (866) 762-2237

Fax: (954) 797-8476 Web address:

http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/ess/foodstamps.shtml

Elderly Nutrition Program - Congregate or Group Meals

This federal program assists individuals, age 60 and over, including their spouse of any age, in obtaining at least one hot meal per day, five or more days a week. Services are usually provided in locations such as senior centers, schools, or churches. In some instances, reservations are required 24 hours in advance. Participants may be asked to contribute to the cost of meals. These facilities often provide other services such as counseling and socialization. In some areas, there may be a waiting list to participate in this program.

Elderly Nutrition Program - Home Delivered Meals

This federal program provides nutritious meals to homebound seniors, age 60 or older. Seniors applying for this program must be homebound due to illness, incapacitating disability, or isolation. A meal may be provided for the spouse, if in the best interest of the homebound person being served. A formal needs assessment is required for participation in this program; however, there are no income requirements. In some areas, there may be a waiting list to participate in this program.

Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward

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5300 Hiatus Road Sunrise, FL 33351

Toll-Free: (800) 963-5337

Phone: (954) 745-9567 or (954) 745-9779

Fax: (954) 745-9548

Web address: http://www.adrcbroward.org/

Web address:

http://www.aoa.gov/AoARoot/AoA Programs/H

CLTC/Nutrition_Services/index.aspx

Legal Needs

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Senior Citizen Law Project

The Senior Citizen Law Project provides legal advice and representation to Broward County residents, 60 years of age and older. Legal assistance is provided for: housing, health related issues, government benefits, consumer issues, and naturalization. Services are targeted to low income and minority persons. Presentations are made at senior centers and other locations, countywide.

Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida, Inc. 491 North State Road 7

Plantation, FL 33317 Phone: (954) 765-8955

Web Address: www.legalaid.org/broward/

The Florida Bar Elderly Referral Panel

The Florida Bar Association has an Elderly Referral Panel for older Floridians. After calling the number, individuals will be referred to an attorney in their area. There is no charge for the first half hour consultation. Charges for additional time will be negotiated with the attorney; the subsequent cost per hour will be based on income.

The Florida Bar

Phone: (800) 342-8011

The Legal Hotline for Older Floridians

This hotline offers legal advice to Florida residents over the age of 60.

Phone: (954) 745-9779

Legal Assistance Programs (Older Americans' Act)

Each Area Agency on Aging is mandated by the Older Americans Act to provide referrals to legal services for individuals, age 60 and over, with the greatest social or economic need. Particular attention is given to low income minority individuals.

Legal Services and Programs

Legal Services are available to low-income families and individuals, regardless of age. Funding for this program is through the Legal Services Corporation Act and Title XX of the Social Security Act.

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Adult Protective Services

APS will assist adults through either voluntary or legal intervention. This state program assists adults, age 18 and over, who because of a mental or physical impairment, can no longer provide for their basic needs for food, clothing, shelter, or medical care. APS services can include home visits, counseling, financial management, cleaning, ensuring provision of home care, finding alternative living arrangements, or applying for guardianship for persons who have no one to assist them.

Florida Adult Protective Services 1400 West Commercial Blvd., Second Floor Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

Phone: (800) 962-2873 Phone: (954) 267-2093

Web address:

www.dcf.state.fl.us/as/services.shtml

Transportation Needs

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Broward County Transit (BCT)

Broward County Transit provides ADA paratransit service for persons with disabilities who are unable to use the regular fixed route bus system. To be eligible for this program, each applicant must submit a written application

and have this application verified by a physician.

Broward County Transit also provides free transportation services for elderly and/or disabled Broward County residents who receive meals at designated nutrition sites in Broward County. The nutrition sites are responsible for enrolling their clients in this special program. You may request an application by calling the customer service numbers shown below.

Paratransit (TOPS) Service

Phone: 954.357.6794 TDD: 954.357.8330

Senior and Disabled Passes

Phone: 954-357-6788 Bus Schedule Information Phone: 954-357-8400

Web address: www.co.broward.fl.us/bct

Reduced Fare Card

Special issued I.D. Card allows resident to pay

reduced rate. (Lasts about one year)

Broward Central Terminal

Broward Blvd. and Northwest 1st Ave

Fort Lauderdale Phone: 954-357-8355

Website:

www.broward.org/bct/faresandpasses photoid.htm

Disability Bus Pass

\$26.00 (instead of \$52) for unlimited rides for 31 consecutive days. Requires an original letter from physician stating at least 50 percent permanent disability or a Medicare card. This is

not a Door-to-Door Service. Paratransit Services Office 3201 W. Copans Road Pompano Beach, FL 33069 Phone: 954-357-6794

Web address:

www.broward.org/bct/faresandpasses.htm

Utility Services

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Web address:

http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/liheap/

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Program Office:

Weatherization Office Broward County Minority Builders Coalition, Inc. 665 Southwest 27th Avenue, Suite12

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312 Phone: (954) 792-1121

Web address:

http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/

Hearing Impaired Telephone Equipment Distribution Program

This state program distributes equipment for the deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf/blind, or speech impaired individual. The types of equipment provided are volume control phones for those with a hearing loss or speech impairment, voice carry-over phones, in-line amplifiers, telebraille, ring signaling devices, etc. All equipment is loaned to Florida citizens, at no charge, for as long as the devices are needed. The program also provides training on the use of the equipment and offers educational and informational programs.

Telephone Equipment Distribution and Training United Hearing & Deaf Services 2800 W. Oakland Park Boulevard, Suite 306 Oakland Park, FL 33311

Phone: (954) 731-7203 Voice/TTY

Fax: (954) 485-6336

Lifeline and Link Up

Lifeline is a government program that offers qualified people a discount on their local phone bill. Each state has its own eligibility rules. Link-Up helps pay some of your telephone installation charges. These programs are run through phone companies.

To apply, call the phone company you use or would like to use, and ask for the sales department. Tell the customer service representative that you would like to apply for Lifeline and Link-Up.

For further information about this program: Click on the United States map on this Web site to find the phone number for the Lifeline and Link-Up programs that fit your situation.

Web address:

http://www.lifelinesupport.org/li/low-income/lifelinesupport/default.aspx

SafeLink Wireless®

SafeLink Wireless® is a program supported by the U.S. government to provide all incomeeligible households with access to free cell phones and airtime. The cell phones and airtime are provided by TracFone Wireless, a

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pre-paid cell phone provider.

Am I eligible?

Each state that offers the SafeLink Wireless® program has their own eligibility guidelines. Generally, you may be eligible for the program if you meet the income level set by the federal poverty guidelines or you receive a state or federally-sponsored benefit program (e.g. Medicaid, SSI, TANF, LIHEAP, SNAP/Food Stamp, Public Housing or Section 8). Eligibility for the program is reviewed each year.

Note: If you currently receive Lifeline assistance through another carrier, you may not be eligible for this SafeLink Wireless® program with TracFone.

How does it work?

Households that are eligible for the program will receive one free cell phone, mobile access to emergency services, and 68 free minutes per month. The phone will be mailed to your physical home address (no P.O. Box addresses will be accepted). The cell phone comes with many built-in features including: voicemail, text, call waiting, international calling to over 60 destinations, and caller ID. Use of the SafeLink Wireless® service does not cost anything there are no contracts, recurring fees, no hidden fees, and no monthly charges. Any minutes you do not use will roll-over into the next month.

Note: The SafeLink Wireless® program may only be available in certain cities/towns within your state. Click here and enter your zip code to find out if the program is available in your area.

SafeLink Wireless® P.O. Box 220009 Milwaukie, OR 97269

Toll-Free: (800) 378-1684 (Customer/Technical Support) or (800) 977-3768 (Apply by Phone)

Fax: (800) 834-7713

Web address:

https://www.safelinkwireless.com/EnrollmentPu

blic/about us.aspx

Florida Power & Light (Assistance and Information Services)

The Florida Power and Light Company has many programs offering a variety of provisions for the customer in need.

Special Bill Payment Arrangements

We realize that occasionally unexpected personal or economic conditions may create a problem that prevents you from paying your bill. When this happens, please contact your local FPL office before the past-due date. We'll personally review your case, and when there is a history of regular payments, our customer service representatives will make every effort to work out a mutually satisfying solution.

Assistance and Referral Program

When special problems arise and emergency assistance is needed, FPL customer service representatives know how to link you to local information & Referral Agencies, such as Elder Helpline and First Call for Help.

Care to Share Fund

This fund is made up of customer and FPL corporate contributions that help pay home-energy bills for households experiencing a crisis. The Broward County Community Action Agency administers Care to Share. All donations go directly to benefit customers in crisis.

Look for Care to Share program donor information with your electric bill. If you need, or know someone else who needs assistance, contact Elder Helpline at (954) 714-3456 for application information.

FPL Friendly Reminder

You can guard against disconnection of your electric service if you are away from home unexpectedly or cannot be reached because of illness. Through this plan, you can authorize FPL to send a copy of any delinquent notice to a person you designate, be it a relative, friend, clergyman, etc. This does not place any obligation on that person to pay the bill, but it does give him or her the opportunity to assist you

This program, along with the FPL Automatic Bill Payment, is especially helpful to senior

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customers who may live alone. Please call FPL to enroll in our FPL Friendly Reminder.

62 Plus Payment Plan

If your main source of income is provided through Social Security retirement benefits, FPL's 62 Plus Payment Plan can make paying your electric bill a little easier.

If the due date on your monthly electric bill is prior to the receipt of your Social Security check, call us. FPL's 62 Plus Payment Plan can reschedule your due date to coincide with the receipt of your monthly benefit check.

FPL Budget Billing

With FPL Budget Billing, your monthly electric payment is based on your average annual usage of electricity, not what you use in one billing month. Although you still pay for all the electricity you use, Budget Billing can help you manage your money more efficiently because you can spread seasonal consumption costs over many months. You will also have a better idea of what you owe before your bill arrives. For more information on Budget Billing, call your local FPL office.

Speech and Hearing Impaired Equipment

FPL is acutely aware of the special needs requirements for our handicapped customers. If you are hearing or speech-impaired, and have access to TTY-TDD Equipment, we have round-the-clock, seven-days-a-week service available through our toll-free number: 1-800-432-6554. Remember, you must use a teletype keyboard machine to reach FPL at this number.

Medically Essential Services Program (MES)

The Medically Essential Service program is for customers whose electric service is medically essential, as certified by a physician licensed to practice in the State of Florida. Electric service may be medically essential if the customer has continuously operated electric-powered medical equipment necessary to sustain life, of avoid serious medical complications requiring immediate hospitalization.

This program does not guarantee uninterrupted service or exempt a customer from payment of

their electric bill. Customers requesting participation in this program may call Florida Power and Light to request an Application and Physician's Certificate form.

Managing Energy Efficiently

(Home Energy Survey)

For energy-saving tips for your home, call FPL for a free Home Energy Survey. An FPL representative will inspect your home and offer low-cost tips on how to make your home more energy efficient. And if you qualify, the FPL representative will also provide information about FPL's financial incentives to help install energy-efficient equipment or appliances. Call 1-800-DIAL-FPL (1-800-342-5375) for information.

On-Call Program

A voluntary residential energy-management program, On-Call, gives participants credit on their electric bills every month for allowing FPL to interrupt power to selected appliances during periods of heavy electricity consumption.

The participant selects which appliances to include from this list: central electric air conditioning, central electric heating, electric water heater and pool pump. Just call 1-800-DIAL-FPL (1-800-342-5375) for information.

How to Reach Us

If you need help, FPL's Customer Service Representatives are just a phone call away. The number for FPL is on the bottom right-hand corner of your monthly bill. You can call Monday through Friday from 8a.m. to 5p.m.

Healthcare Assistance

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders (SHINE)

This state program provides free counseling to help seniors who have Medicare or Medicare supplemental insurance policies. The program will also help organize bills and forms, decide whether to appeal low reimbursement or service denials, and compare supplemental insurance policies.

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County

5300 Hiatus Road Sunrise, FL 33351

Toll-Free: (800) 963-5337

Phone: (954) 745-9567 or (954) 745-9779

Fax: (954) 745-9548

Web address: www.adrcbroward.org/ Web address: www.floridashine.org/

Florida Discount Drug Card Program

The Florida Discount Drug Card is designed to lower the cost of prescriptions for Florida residents. Enrollment in this program is free. People with Medicare who enroll in Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage can use this program during the coverage gap (doughnut hole) period.

Phone: (866) 341-8894 TTY: 1-866-763-9630.

Web address:

http://www.floridadiscountdrugcard.com/index.a

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Seniors EyeCare

The Seniors EyeCare Program ensures that every senior has access to medical eye care and promotes annual, dilated eye exams. It raises awareness about age-related eye disease, including cataracts, provides free eye care educational materials and facilitates access to eye care - at no out-of-pocket cost. People eligible for a referral through the

program receive a comprehensive, medical eye exam and up to one year of treatment - at no out-of-pocket cost - for any disease diagnosed during the initial exam.

Volunteer ophthalmologists accept Medicare and/or other insurance reimbursement as payment in full; patients without insurance receive care at no charge.

EyeCare America offers multiple eye care programs for which individuals may qualify. Callers will automatically be screened to determine the program that provides the most appropriate eye care services. Callers who have not had an eye exam in the past 12 months and are at increased risk for glaucoma may be eligible for a glaucoma eye exam through our Glaucoma EyeCare Program.

Eyeglasses, prescription drugs, hospital services, and fees of other medical professionals are not included in this program.

EyeCare America

Phone: (800) 222-EYES (3937)

Web address:

http://www.eyecareamerica.org/eyecare/care/se

nior-eyecare.cfm

Medicaid

This health insurance program pays for a broad range of medical services for people with low income and assets (or resources). Basic services include doctor visits, inpatient and outpatient hospital services, lab tests, x-rays, medical transportation, family planning services, nursing facility services, home health, and nurse practitioner services. To receive program benefits, you must go to a doctor or health service provider that participates in Medicaid.

People who have Medicare can also receive Medicaid, if they meet the eligibility criteria. Medicaid can cover those services not covered by Medicare such as eyeglasses, hearing aids, dental care, or Medicare co-payments and deductibles.

Medicaid does not cover prescription drugs for people who are enrolled in Medicare. People who have both Medicaid and Medicare will receive help paying for their prescriptions through the Medicare Prescription Drug

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Coverage. In addition, people who are enrolled in both Medicaid and Medicare will automatically qualify for the extra help for people with limited incomes and resources available through Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage.

People enrolled in both Medicare and Medicaid qualify for and may want to consider joining a Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plan (SNP) designed just for those with both types of coverage. A SNP plan for those with both Medicare and Medicaid may assist its members by managing the many services, providers and payers involved in addressing their health care needs.

These plans may offer more benefits than Original Medicare and may have no monthly premiums and/or lower co-payments. But all plans are different, so check with the plan to see exactly what it offers. It is also important to note that SNPs are not available in every community.

Web address:

www.fdhc.state.fl.us/Medicaid/index.shtml

Medicaid Spend-down/Medically Needy Program

This program enables people who are not eligible for Medicaid (because their incomes are over the Medicaid limit), to spend down their income and access benefits. The spend-down amount is any excess income over the Medicaid limit.

To get Medicaid benefits you must submit current paid or unpaid medical bills equal to or greater than your monthly excess amount. Once your medical bills equal the excess amount, you will get coverage for the remaining calendar month. At that point, Medicaid can pay for any health services from a provider who takes Medicaid.

People who have both Medicaid and Medicare will receive help paying for their prescriptions through the Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage. In addition, people who are enrolled in both Medicaid and Medicare will automatically qualify for the extra help for

people with limited incomes and resources available through Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage. Once you spend down and qualify for Medicaid, you will be eligible for this extra help with your drug costs through Medicare for the rest of the calendar year.

Web address:

www.dcf.state.fl.us/ess/medicaid.shtml

Medicaid- Aged/Disabled Adult Services Waiver

This state program is a home and community-based services program to individuals, 65 or older, and the disabled. The waiver includes the following services: adult day health care, caregiving training and support, case aide, case management, chore services, medical supplies, counseling, emergency alert response, escort services, home delivered meals, homemaker and personal care services, physical and speech therapy, and respite care.

Individual recipients will make informed choices between nursing facility care and home and community based services.

Web address:

http://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/hcbs_waive rs/index.shtml

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Fax: (954) 797-8476

Department of Children and Families North Broward Regional Service Center 1400 West Commercial Boulevard, Suite160 Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

Toll-Free: (866) 762-2237

Medicaid- Assisted Living for the Elderly Services Waiver

This state program is a home and community based services program for individuals, 60 or older, or disabled. The waiver includes two services: case management and assisted living. Assisted living includes the following services:

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attendant call system, attendant care, behavior management, chore services, companion services, homemaker services, intermittent nursing, medication administration, occupational, physical, and speech therapy, specialized medical equipment and supplies, and recreational services.

Web address:

http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/faal/operator/aleme dicaid.html

Department of Elder Affairs Broward Co Human Svcs. Dept., Elderly Svcs. Division 2995 N. Dixie Hwy.

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33334 Phone: (954) 537-2963 Fax: (954) 537-2927

Alzheimer's Programs-Alzheimer's Disease Initiative (ADI)

ADI is a State program, which provides services to address the needs of individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and related memory disorders. Respite care services (caregiver relief) are provided in all counties of Florida. ADI clients are assessed a co-payment based on ability to pay for services received. ADI also provides research into the cause, prevention, treatment, and cure of Alzheimer's.

Web address:

http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/english/alz.php

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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33334 Phone: (954) 537-2963 Fax: (954) 537-2927

Financial Information

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Supplemental Security Income

This program provides monthly cash assistance to people who are age 65 or older, blind, or disabled, to give them a minimum level of income. The benefit amount that someone receives varies based on their income and living arrangements.

People who are enrolled in both Medicare and SSI will automatically qualify for the extra help for people with limited incomes and resources available through Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage.

Toll-Free: (800) 772-1213 TTY/TDD: (800) 325-0778

Web address:

www.socialsecurity.gov/ssi/index.htm

Non-citizens Web address: www.ssa.gov/pubs/11051.html

Tax Credit for the Elderly and Disabled

To be eligible for this credit, individuals must have low income, be age 65 or over, or under 65 and retired on permanent and total disability and receive taxable disability income for the given tax year. You will be required to file a Federal Tax Return (1040 or 1040A).

Internal Revenue Service
One North University Drive, Suite 110
Plantation, FL 33324
(Click on Publication 524 "Credit for the Elderly or Disabled.")
Web address:
www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=120665,00.

Homestead Property Tax Deferral

This state program provides deferment on the real estate tax on a residence. The applicant must be a permanent resident of Florida. A portion or all of the property taxes may be deferred depending on household income and the age of the filer. If approved, the ad valorem

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taxes and non-ad valorem assessments may be deferred.

Broward County Tax Collector 115 South Andrews Avenue Governmental Center Annex, 1st Floor Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301

Phone: (954) 357-7235 Fax: (954) 357-5731

Web address:

http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/exemption

s.html

Real Property Tax: Other Exemptions

This state program allows individuals who are disabled, blind, a veteran, a widow or widower, to obtain a \$500 tax exemption of their property. A widow or widower becomes ineligible for the exemption upon remarriage. Applications must be made prior to March 1, of the filing year. Individuals who are quadriplegic, paraplegic, hemiplegic, or who are legally blind or dependent on a wheelchair (for mobility) are exempt from property tax.

Broward County Property Appraiser 115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 111

Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301 Phone: (954) 357-6830 Fax: (954) 357-8474

Email address: taxinfo@bcpa.net

Web address:

http://dor.myflorida.com/dor/property/exemption

s.html

Work and Volunteering

(Information from National Council on Aging, Aging & Disability Resource Center of Broward County and FP&L)

Senior Companion Program (SCP)

This program offers part-time volunteer opportunities for low-income persons, age 60 or older. Volunteers work in community service activities serving seniors with physical, mental, or emotional impairments. Services may include short term acute care assistance, non-medical personal care, and social/recreational activities. Volunteers receive a modest stipend and other benefits.

Web address:

http://www.seniorcorps.gov/about/programs/sc. asp

SCP of Broward County 1601 S. Andrews Avenue Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316 Phone: (954) 524-3222

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

This federal program assists retired or semiretired individuals, age 55 and over, by connecting them to a variety of agencies, organizations, and institutions designated as Volunteer Stations. RSVP volunteers serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for such expenses as transportation.

RSVP of Broward County 2727 E. Oakland Park Boulevard - Suite 304 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306 Phone: (954) 563-8991

Web address:

www.seniorcorps.gov/about/programs/rsvp.asp

Foster Grandparent Program

This federal program provides opportunities for older adults to serve their communities by providing individual support to children with special and/or exceptional needs, in a variety of settings. Volunteers will receive stipends, transportation, and other support services.

Foster Grandparent Program (continued)

Foster Grandparents Program FGP of Broward County, 1601 S. Andrews Avenue - Suite B Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316 Phone: (954) 524-3222 Web address:

http://www.seniorcorps.gov/about/programs/fg.a

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Experience Works – (SCSEP)

This national, charitable, community-based organization helps older adults get the training they need to find good jobs in their communities. The largest program offered by Experience Works is the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). This program, funded under Title V of the Older Americans Act as well as state and local grants, enables us to help thousands of low-income individuals, age 55 and older, throughout the United States.

Experience Works, Inc. 1079 Atlantic Boulevard Suite 2 Atlantic Beach, Florida 32233 Phone: 1-888-859-1051 (toll free) Phone: (954) 963-8030 ext.226

Web address:

http://www.experienceworks.org/site/PageServer

AARP Foundation – (SCSEP)

The AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) helps job seekers improved their skills, obtain training and find a job. SCSEP is funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor with support from AARP and the AARP Foundation, and provides comprehensive training and support.

Workforce One 7550 Davie Road Extension Hollywood, FL 33024 Phone: (954) 967-1010 ext.139

Web address:

www.aarpworksearch.org/pages/SCSEP.aspx#

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